



## Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

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Dear Missouri Educator,

Thank you for your interest in providing nutrition education for Missouri's children. This curriculum is made available through the School Nutrition Education Program within the Nutrition Policy and Education Unit (NPE), Division of Community Health, Department of Health and Senior Services. The program's goal is to assist you in improving nutrition-related behaviors of Missouri students through evaluated curriculum.

All curricula offered have been evaluated by a Registered Dietitian and are aligned with Missouri Show-Me Standards. The curricula also meet knowledge and content standards required in other subject areas. This curriculum is available to you at no cost but requires a commitment from you to complete the surveys necessary in evaluating the program. Some limitations to receiving the curriculum are outlined on the order form.

Completion of curriculum evaluation pre- and post-surveys for all curricula requested is required. In addition, any student surveys required by the curriculum must also be completed. If a curriculum is used with more than 100 students and a student survey is required, contact NPE to discuss data collection alternatives. To receive the curriculum, fill out an order form and pre-survey prior to receiving the curriculum, then mail, fax or e-mail the order. When the order is filled, Missouri Show-Me Standards will be provided for each curriculum selected (allow 4-6 weeks for delivery). After the curriculum is completed, evaluate the effectiveness of the curriculum through the post-survey, conduct the student post-surveys, if required, and then mail the post-surveys back to NPE.

In order to continue offering curriculum through the School Nutrition Education Program at no charge to Missouri educators, it is necessary that the program be evaluated to determine the benefits. Your cooperation in returning the post-survey following the completion of the nutrition curriculum is appreciated and is vital to the continuation and success of the program.

Thank you for your role in providing quality nutrition education in Missouri schools. For assistance or to ask questions related to the School Nutrition Education Program, call 573/751-6183, fax 573/522-3244, or e-mail [arnir@dhss.mo.gov](mailto:arnir@dhss.mo.gov).

Cordially,

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